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Respectfully submitted,

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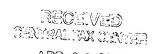
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Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the office communication dated March 17, 2005.

In the above referenced office communication, the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement, requiring the election of the claims of either:

Group I, i.e., Claims 1-15 and 19; Group II, i.e., Claims 16-17; or Group III, i.e., Claim 20-24;

for further prosecution in this application.

The Applicants hereby elect Group I with traverse.

The Applicants also respectfully urge the Examiner to rejoin the claims of Group II and Group III with the elected claims of Group I for examination in this application for the following reasons.

The MPEP allows an Examiner to examine otherwise patentably distinct sets of claims if to so would not impose an undue burden on the Examiner. M.P.E.P. § 8.03 states that: